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Red agents directed U.A.R. air offensive

MOSCOW HELPS NASSER HARASS ISRAELIS

Famous European commentator analyzes

BIG 4 DEBACLE

by Dietrich Strothmann (Die Zeit)

Once again there is talk of war, the fourth major engagement between Israelis and Arabs. Two years ago a spark was all that was needed to fan the glowing embers into a sea of flame. It could happen again at any moment.

Yet are not the Russians and the Americans in a position to avert the danger of major war now that they, particularly the Soviet Union are more directly committed and pull greater weight as policemen in the Middle East?

Evidently they are not. Despite the ceasefire accepted by the two sides escalation continues. In the last few days the trench war on the Suez and the Jordan has reached a new stage. It will not take much more for a moving war to erupt.

The main change over a short period of time has been that Israeli retaliation is no longer followed by a pause. As soon as Israeli troops attack Egyptian or Jordanian territory Egyptian commandos cross the canal and Palestinian guerrillas the Jordan.

For the first time ever the Arab partisans have even succeeded in reaching the Mediterranean port of Haifa and destroying a petroleum pipeline there. Continuous attacks in Jerusalem, which is no distance from the frontier, hardly count; they are already the rule rather than the exception.

The Israelis' security precautions, oft-lauded and so far with every justification, are now no longer a 100% guarantee. Nervousness among military men increases as mistakes are made and the enemy score partial successes. It would be understandable enough if they were to defend themselves more vigorously. Anger and bitterness have always been poor allies of the peacemakers.

On the quiet Nasser may well have taken this into account in refusing Israeli terms despite the defeats he has sustained. Hardly a single Arab credits Jerusalem's argument that it as victor wants to sue for peace. The Israelis for their part fail to understand that the loser is not interested in peace.

The losers do not want peace because they are not prepared to accept their defeat and because it would be more than the life of any Arab leader is worth to admit openly that the war has been lost.

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CANADA EMBASSY HAS NPD PROBLEM

Exclusive report from
The Canadian Jewish News correspondent

Bonn, West Germany.- A minor political scandal indirectly involving the Canadian Embassy here is brewing. The neo-Nazi NPD Party plans to build its headquarters right next to the Canadian Embassy.

According to an anti-Nazi weekly, the new "Brown House" (Nazi centers were called Brown Houses) is expected to provoke sharp protest from the Canadians. The Canadian Embassy does not relish being the neighbor of the NPD Party.

This minor scandal may be nipped in the bud as the owners of the property are having second thoughts; they may cancel the sale.

Meanwhile a representative of the NPD, a Karl-Ludwig Pollak, has become the head of the von Thadden bureau in Bonn. His main task: to erect the impressive headquarters for the neo-Nazi Party.

The NPD predicts it will become important in the new German Bundestag elected this fall. All efforts by those wanting to make the neo-Nazi movement illegal have failed, including the demand by Minister of Interior Ernest Benda.

There are certain groups within the majority Christian Democratic Party who, for political reasons, fear to put the NPD outside the law.

The neo-Nazi Party is reported to be in a position to spend more than $1 million for the construction of its new headquarters.

The Canadian Embassy is reported already to have indicated to the Bonn authorities its displeasure at having the NPD next to its building.

Did von Thadden get the hint? Will he build somewhere else?

ULBRICHT - NASSER ALLIANCE.- East German Foreign Minister Otto Winzer (left) with Secretary General of the Arab League, Hassouna.

According to reports from Europe, Mr. Winzer is of Jewish origin. He told Arab extremists that the "German Democratic Republic recognizes all rights of the Arabs in Palestine," which means the elimination of the Jewish state. His experts guided last Sunday the Egyptian pilots who attacked Israel.

an editorial

CBC REVIVES NIGHTMARE

The CBC, which brought into millions of Canadian livingrooms the German neo-Nazi leader Adolf von Thadden, has a new treat in store for the public. It proposes to project the image of a would-be politician and rabblerouser, now forgotten and politically buried.

According to a statement by a CBC executive, the filming of a television drama based upon the Beattie riots in Toronto's Allan Gardens will take place on August 8th. It will present a story of an aspiring young Nazi and how "he is drowned out by hecklers."

Why the taxpayer has to finance such a show is beyond our comprehension. And we certainly hope that no organization or group purporting to speak for or act on behalf of the Jewish community will cooperate in the revival of a nightmare which had best be forgotten.

AMERICANS SETTLE IN THE HOLY LAND

Haifa (JCNS).- The Queen Anna Maris brought 215 immigrants from the United States and Canada last week among them 22 school teachers - the first contingent of more than 100 Jewish teachers who have decided to settle in Israel.

The other newcomers included two university professors and several engineers. There were altogether 46 families and 23 single immigrants. Most went to absorption centres in Haifa, Afula, Carmiel and Beersheba.

EAST GERMANS, SOVIET INSTRUCTORS GUIDED LAST EGYPTIAN BOMBARDMENT OF SUEZ

NEW ROCKET SUCCESSFULLY TESTED IN NEGEV DESERT

by the CJN diplomatic editor

Foreign Communist air experts, including East Germans and Russians, directed Egypt's war plane pilots against Israel on Sunday, diplomatic sources told The Canadian Jewish News. Not only were the four aircraft, that streaked unopposed by Israel across the Suez Canal, Russian made but the pilots were guided by "civilian" experts from behind the Iron Curtain, reliable sources revealed to our correspondent.

NASSER TO EAST BERLIN?

Israel, in a diplomatic, carefully worded statement issued by Prime Minister Golda Meir, repeated its accusation against Egypt that it is completely ignoring the ceasefire line which the United Arab Republic accepted following the Six Day War. The Jewish state, Mrs. Meir said, always has been ready, and is still ready, to accept unconditional ceasefire status until a peace agreement is discussed. However Egypt is escalating the war with the help of its Communist advisers, according to well informed sources.

It is reported from East Berlin that Dictator-President Abdul Gamel Nasser of Egypt may visit there this month in order to state publicly that it recognizes the Pankow regime of Red Germany in acknowledgment of the services of Ulbricht to Cairo.

In Moscow, Pravda, the official daily newspaper of the Soviet Communist Party, intensified this week its campaign against the United States. In an editorial it praised the astronauts but blasted Washington for ignoring the problems on earth and its "association with revengist West Germany and aggressive Israel." This editorial explains in some capitals the report why Moscow has given Cairo the green light to accelerate its attacks against Israel.

NEW ANTI-WEST DRIVE

It seems that despite censorship and brainwashing, intellectuals in the Soviet Union are disappointed with Moscow's Luna 15 showing and the Soviet Union's inability to compete with the United States.

Those in the West who hoped for a better relationship between the United States and the USSR are having second thoughts. They say President Nixon in his present tour is up for surprises; there is no question that some of the anti-American demonstrations are inspired by Moscow's sour grapes who cannot swallow the moon-feat of the American people. Russians are beginning to doubt more than ever that their government is on the same level of power as the United States. This atmosphere in the Soviet Union may induce its leaders to both a harder line and provocation to new incidents and little wars in different trouble spots.

DEMANDS AID FROM FRIENDS

One of these areas is the Middle East where, according to best informed sources, Russia may decide to pressure Israel to give in.

On the other hand, the Israelis are determined to demand that their friends now supply them with arms. Jerusalem expects delivery of Skyhawks from the United States while diplomatic talks in Paris center around French delivery of the Mirages now since it is clear that Israel is not the aggressor but is being subjected to continuous attack by Moscow's satellites in the Arab world. "The fliers on the Egyptian planes may be Arabs," a foreign diplomat told The Canadian Jewish News in Jerusalem, "but the hand that guides them is that of the Soviet Ambassador in Cairo."

Also in Jerusalem the Israelis are deeply shocked by the statement of UN Secretary General U Thant who, following the death of Swedish observer Roland Plane, accused both "Egypt and Israel of history's most complete and sustained disregard of a ceasefire line."

Israel, says the United Nations Secretary General, is making the same mistake as when Nasser spoke big and provoked Israel prior to the Six Day War.

Israel, Jerusalem says, is just as reluctant to remain "a defenseless target in a shooting gallery" as are U Thant's observers.

JERUSALEM HAS NEW ROCKET

In the meantime the Israeli Government is doing its utmost to prevent an escalation to full war.

(Two forty-pound rockets, one carrying instruments in its nosecone, built by Technion aeronautical students and propelled by solid fuel, was successfully tested in the Negev, our JCNS correspondent cables from Jerusalem.

(They reached a height of ten miles in a successful launching.

(The nosecone rockets and more sophisticated vehicles "number 4" were recovered safely after they separated from the engine and parachuted to earth, our correspondent wires. Its instruments measured velocity, pressure and temperatures, and radio transmitter sent back telemetric measurements during descent.

(This is the fourth year that these aeronautical students have succeeded in building and firing these rockets.)

BRANDT: EAST GERMANY ANTISEMITIC

In Bonn, capital of West Germany, Willy Brandt, Foreign Minister, termed for the record East Germany's support of the extremist Arab regimes as a "manifestation of the ugliest antisemitism." He hinted the Ulbricht regime has taken over the legacy of the Nazis. Otherwise one cannot explain, a West German spokesman said, why the East German Government should use the enemies of Jews to establish themselves in the Middle East.

In East Berlin the newspaper of the Red regime is jubilant about the closer relations between Pankow and the Arab enemies of Israel. The German liberal magazine, Der Spiegel, stated recently:

"What the Arabs are looking for, above anything else, is military aid for a revenge-war against Israel. This aid they could not obtain in Bonn but only by the friends of the so-called German Democratic Republic in Moscow."

Commentary

by M.J. NURENBERGER

ARAB FUTURE: NOT AGAINST ISRAEL BUT WITH ISRAEL

During the United Nations Security Council meetings that followed the Six Day War, the Russian representatives denied that Nasser had ever prepared war against Israel. Everything Radio Cairo had broadcast, the threats against Israel, the obnoxious cartoons in Egyptian papers, the "warning" to throw the Jews into the sea -- even the demand to recall the United Nations observers -- everything was minimized.

The Israelis were told privately to be magnanimous, to forget the nonsense broadcasts from Cairo, Damascus and Amman. They were even asked to ignore both the unprovoked attack by Hussein against the Holy City and the fact that the Jewish state lost hundreds of people in the defense of Jerusalem only because its army command had decided to respect, during the fight, all holy places, all shrines, of all religions. Because their soldiers were ordered to circumvent sacred sites, especially those of Christians, many fell who might have lived had Israel shown less concern for monuments of certain religions.

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Now Nasser again is threatening the Jewish state. For one not conversant with political and diplomatic language, the impression of his last belligerent speech may be that the dictator wishes to liberate occupied territory. But in his typical manner, Nasser added the phrase, "And all Arab lands." He mentioned the Suez, Sinai, Gaza, Jerusalem and the West Bank. Then he spoke of "all other Arab lands."

What are the other Arab lands, in the mind of peace loving Nasser? It only could mean the territory of Israel before the Six Day War. For there is nothing else to "liberate" after the occupied lands.

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I stress this point because many fall for the change in style and form of Nasser's harangues since the 1967 war. He sounds peaceful, modest: he only wants to liberate occupied territory. Yet he calls for war.

Should war come, would all those who openly or secretly wish to destroy the Jewish state again say that the Israelis were too harsh with Nasser? After all, when Nasser stirs up the Arabs to war, when his propaganda machine again misleads the Felahin into the belief that they now could destroy the Jewish state with impunity -- and when Israel loses many of its finest young men in defense of its territory -- all this is merely a game: the Israelis should be magnanimous; they should ignore the harassment let loose by Russia and effectuated by Nasser. In fact, it is the Russians -- the power that occupied and kept occupied every country it "liberated" during World War II -- who speak so beautifully about Israel's belligerence.

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What really is the situation in the Middle East? There is harassment and there may be more. The reason? Israel now is stationed at borders and occupies positions that allow her to remain unaffected by any provocation. She is strategically powerful. Also she has proven that any pressure, including that of France, has failed. In fact, this has given her the incentive to build her own war industry. All these are facts.

No matter what "friends" advise Israel, she remembers the price of retreat. She furthermore knows that sooner or later some Big Powers will discover the futility of terrorizing Israel and intervening between the Arabs and Israelis. For in the long run, the Arabs have nothing to gain from the arms delivered to them by Moscow. They can only win in peace negotiations with their Jewish neighbors.

This is the Arabs' only road to renaissance and to a great future -- with Israel, not against her.

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WHAT MAKES GOLDA SO POPULAR?

STORY OF ISRAEL'S PRIME MINISTER

by Israel Neumann, JCNS correspondent

A recent cartoon published in an important Israeli daily paper showed Mrs. Golda Meir, the Prime Minister of Israel, draped in the impressive robes of Moses on Mount Sinai, holding out the Ten Commandments towards an invisible People of Israel, while down in the valley a somewhat wretched-looking Nixon lies prostrate, in reverential adoration of the golden calf -- the 4 power talks.

The Prime Minister, known for her sensitivity towards press criticism and easy wrath at grotesque caricaturing, had no reason for displeasure: there was no ironical intent on the part of the cartoonist.

For the Israeli reader, too, the cartoon reflected simple reality -- upright, virtuous righteousness facing subservient submission to short-sighted interests, with disregard for lofty ideals and the supreme moral mandate.

RISE IN POPULARITY

Unlike her predecessor, Mrs. Golda Meir never shows hesitation. She may be a mother-figure for the average Israeli, but whatever her sensitivity in private life there is nothing soft or yielding about her leadership.

She is a mother who knows what is best for her children and permits no argument about the correctness of this knowledge.

Mrs. Meir's greatest success since she assumed power probably lies in the steep rise in her popularity.

Times of emergency may be conducive to almost automatic popularity for a leader, but the Prime Minister contributed greatly to it by her firm attitude, particularly her openly proclaimed refusal to consider bowing to any American pressure, more outspoken than that of any previous Israeli leader.

In any public opinion poll, Mrs. Meir, who had been almost completely forgotten by the public in recent years, now easily tops the list, or, at least, is the equal of any potential rival, even Moshe Dayan.

There have, of course, been some critical voices, particularly among some intellectuals, who questioned the wisdom of blankly refusing to recognize the Great Powers' right to be concerned with a Middle East solution.

But the critics are a small minority. The great majority finds in Mrs. Meir's statements exactly what it is looking for: self-assurance and absolute confidence in Israel's moral and military superiority.

Mrs. Golda Meir assumed supreme political office with ease and visible pleasure, after serving for many years under a Prime Minister with whom she was not necessarily in full harmony, and after playing a paramount, though veiled, political role behind the scenes.

Like all great leaders, particularly in wartime, she is concerned foremost with foreign policy and over-all defense matters, gladly leaving the boring business of economics to the relevant Ministers.

Of the chairmanships of the many Ministerial committees held by Mr. Levi Eshkol, she has kept only that of the key committee on foreign affairs and security. The rest she has turned over to her Deputy, Mr. Yigal Allon and other Ministers in whom she has confidence.

It is not only the style in which the nation is being addressed which has changed. The rather easy-going, informal manner of Mr. Eshkol at Cabinet meetings has been replaced by efficient methods of ministerial discussion, according to a strictly followed agenda.

FOREIGN POLICY

This stricter discipline is also reflected in declarations by individual Ministers who have become somewhat less talkative on matters not concerning them directly, particularly Israel's future borders and peace terms in general.

As foreign policy remains Mrs. Meir's foremost concern, it is probably Mr. Abba Eban, the Foreign Minister, whose freedom of action has become more curtailed than that of any other Minister.

If the public expected fireworks between the Prime Minister and her Minister of Defense, who refused to vote for her as Premier in the Israel Labor Party's Central Committee, it has been disappointed. Mrs. Meir has done everything short of renouncing the Premiership to placate Mr. Dayan and there has been no serious friction between them in recent weeks.

Unlike Mr. Eshkol, who repeatedly met Arab leaders from the West Bank, Mrs. Meir is not known to have had any private talks or meetings with notables from this area.

Officially, the long-term policy of the Military Government in these territories as defined by a senior officer to foreign journalists recently, remains the promotion of direct agreement between Israel and the local Arabs, in the absence of any sign of willingness on the part of the Arabs to discuss peace.

What are Mrs. Meir's views on the form that such an agreement might take, if and when secure and agreed borders are drawn, leaving within Israel a sizeable Arab minority? Judging by her public pronouncements, the Prime Minister has so far limited herself to the negation of the very idea of a Palestinian nation and to the refusal of economic integration, but has not yet made up her mind on the question of what the status of the Arab minority in Greater Israel should be.

To sum up, Mrs. Meir's leadership is generally accepted by all sharing power within the National Unity Government, Right and Left alike.

COMING ELECTION

This atmosphere of general acceptance and even satisfaction is not likely to be changed by the coming election campaign, which will be the first harmonious one ever to be conducted in Israel -- unless Mr. Moshe Dayan decides finally to challenge the Labor leadership, despite Mrs. Meir's conciliatory attitude.

Mrs. Meir, questioned about her intentions after the General Election, in the autumn, said recently: "Believe me, in the 71 years of my life there has not been a single year in which I have sat down alone and thought about whether I should seek election to a certain post.

"I have not yet given a second's thought to the question of what will happen after the elections. I hope that the party will have enough sense not to impose the Premiership on me afterwards."

And what about Mr. Dayan? Would she be ready to support him as her successor?

"With the exception of the present Prime Minister, I shall be happy to see any person assume the Premiership, should the Labor alignment decide upon his nomination and the Knesset approves it," she said.

"We're not in trouble; Nasser is. We are not retreating to save his regime." GOLDA MEIR'S STATEMENT.

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Profile of an emissary by I. Nachman

MORDECAI AWIESER

"There is a feeling of Jewishness, a force in the community here to stay . . . In Canada there is great interest in Aliyah (settling in Israel). Many families -- middle class, professional, businessmen, teachers -- are 'talking' Aliyah . . . And investing goes hand in hand, there are opportunities and jobs for new settlers.

"Students continue their studies at Israeli universities instead of remaining here; 180 Canadians currently are at Hebrew University, 15 at Bar Ilan; there is a Hadassah sponsored school in Israel which contains this year 17 students.

"Israel is very important; it maintains its Jewish identification 'beyond ideology and reasoning' particularly since the Six Day War."

These words may sound like ramblings. However, they reflect the true, dedicated feeling of Mark Mordecai Awieser, head of Canada's Aliyah Department of the Jewish Agency for Israel.

There is very little that Awieser couldn't or wouldn't answer concerning Aliyah. His devotion to Israel runs far beyond the call of duty.

One need not press Awieser into explaining that the Jewish Agency here, a subsidiary of the Federated Zionist Organization of Canada, expounds at great length the procedure of Aliyah, guides interested persons regarding settling in the Holy Land and finding a livelihood.

At present "economy is blooming in Israel," Awieser notes, "making it certain that anyone with a profession or skill will find it easy to obtain a job."

As to export, "enterprises exist and are continuing to grow."

Awieser actually glows when he speaks of Chug Aliyah (club of prospective settlers), a new group that has sprung up with branches in Montreal, Toronto, Ottawa, Calgary, Winnipeg.

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Not knowing Mark Awieser, one would consider this vivacious, fiftyish young man a Sabra. However, he comes close to being one.

Awieser emigrated to Palestine from Germany in 1933. He studied management and economics and served as secretary in the Organization Department of the Jewish Agency. In 1947, Haganah appointed him Secretary General of the Home Guard. Later he became Director of Economic Controls in the Ministry for Commerce and Industry. Since 1953 he has served as a management consultant.

For the past four years Awieser has been stationed at the Federated Zionist Organization of Canada's national office in Montreal. Up to now one of his prime objectives has been to visit communities and organizations across Canada to establish direct contact and to make himself readily available to the public at large.

At the end of this month he returns to Israel, with the thought that "I go home with a feeling of gratitude that I have had the good fortune to get to know, and to work within, your community where I could instantaneously feel at home."

Abe Tooch succeeds Awieser as head of Aliyah in Canada.

HIS JOB WELL DONE.- Mark Mordecai Awieser, head of Canada's Aliyah Department of the Jewish Agency For Israel, who returns to the Jewish state at the end of August.

BLAZING INFERNO.- Nasser's Suez refinery after an artillery duel between Israelis and Egyptians.

MONTREAL NOTES

YEAR'S SUCCESS

Dr. J. Slavin, principal, Beth Rivkah Academy of Montreal, reports it was a hectic year at the Academy and the Rabbinical College of Canada. Both schools embarked on a program without precedent, the opening of a Sephardic department.

In the beginning of the year, the school was faced by many problems. The Sephardic children, most of them New Canadians from Morocco, come from a different cultural background. They could speak only French and Arabic or Spanish. Confused by a foreign way of life and the wonders they never had known, the parents preoccupied with trying to become established, their uneasiness multiplied. They were impatient to learn English. This confusion slowed their integration into Canadian groups of children.

However, during the second half of the school year, an entirely different picture emerged: play was common, belabored French-English was heard. Homes were being filled with new friends.

The mutual linguistic impact proved to be very beneficial. The Canadian children for whom French was but a required course in school began speaking the language socially while the French speaking children tried to communicate in English.

The Beth Rivkah Academy and the Rabbinical College have highly qualified teachers. For the Hebrew and religious lessons the Sephardic children are placed in classes where the language of instruction is French. Particular attention is paid modern Hebrew. The teachers are of Sephardic origin, imbued with the idea of preserving and developing the meaningful Jewish Sephardic traditions. At the same time the children improve their French, their native tongue, an aspect often overlooked when there is a compulsive urge to learn a new language.

The children are given the chance to develop and improve their native tongue.

For the secular studies based on the program of the Protestant School Board, all children are integrated into classes suited to their age level. English specialists provide assistance to French speaking children.

Both schools offer educational programs from nursery throughout high school will full associated status with the Protestant School Board of Greater Montreal.

FRANCE: HOPE PREMATURE

Jerusalem (JCNS).- The Israeli Cabinet met to review the future relations with France and to hear a report by Foreign Minister Abba Eban on the subject.

It is believed the Ministers expressed cautious hope on the possible outcome of these relations, the general feeling being that it is still too soon to assess any specific line of policy.

Also attending the meeting was General Haim Barlev, the Chief of Staff, who reported on the situation on the borders and on the Suez Canal.

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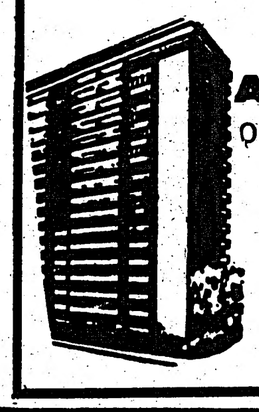

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MICHAEL X: MOSLEM WHO WENT TO SHUL

by Jacob Gewirtz

Despite his awesome reputation for Black militancy, Michael Abdul Malik - also known as Michael X but no longer as Michael De Freitas -- is a mild mannered and soft-spoken West Indian. To emphasize a point, he reduces the volume of his voice to hardly more than a whisper. It is most effective.

"My father went to church every Sunday but he was a Jew." The last part of the sentence was barely audible and I asked him to repeat it.

"It's true, he was a Jew, but he went to church because it was the thing to do. He deserted his people. He was a traitor."

"How do you know he was Jewish?" I asked.

"My father was Jewish enough to trace his ancestry several hundreds of years back to Portugal and the Expulsion of the Jews," he explained. "What's more he could rattle off the names of all the other Jewish families on the island besides the De Freitases -- the D'Silvas, d'Costas and many more."

"If your father was Jewish, why did you become a Muslim?" I inquired.

"Because of Malcolm X (the assassinated American leader of the Black Muslims). He was my teacher and friend. I did consider returning to Judaism when I arrived here from Trinidad, and I actually visited the Marble Arch Synagogue and other synagogues in the West End but they left me cold."

"Then too," he continued, "I didn't want to become a 'Sammy Davis' type of Jew, the butt of jokes."

Asked about his attitude to Jews considering the growing problem of Black anti-semitism in America, he replied: "I'm more concerned with what's happening here to the one million coloreds."

He hinted that he had been approached to raise the Jewish issue but was reluctant to do so. He resented those Jews "who lived off the backs of the ghetto" taking the profits from the community without putting anything back, but he was not opposed to Jews generally.

Many Jews had helped him in the past and there were Jews helping him now. Nigel Samuels, a young man from a prominent Anglo-Jewish family, was in fact one of his closest associates in the Racial Adjustment Action Society.

He would, he said, welcome the help of more Jews. At the moment he is engaged in building a Muslim center in Islington, which will contain a supermarket, restaurant, children's creeche, flats and facilities for culture and arts, and he was in need not so much of money but of financial advice and he thought that there must be some retired Jewish businessmen, financiers and industrialists who would volunteer their services.

"Don't you think," I asked him, "that by fostering separate Black institutions you are going backwards?" After all some progress towards racial integration had been made in recent years and wouldn't he be better off fighting for civil rights.

"Segregation," he replied, "is a fact." Giving the Blacks equal rights was a problem for those who created the existing segregation. What he wanted was freedom for the Blacks to live a full cultural life of their own in a pluralistic society, but the British expected the minorities in this country to assimilate.

"As a Black Muslim," I asked, "what is your attitude to Israel?"

"There is no such thing as a Black Muslim. You are a Muslim or you are not. There are many kinds of Jews, but they are all Jews. It's the same with Muslims.

"I don't take sides between Jews and Arabs. That's something they will have to settle between themselves. If the Jews escalate the war against Muslims -- that would be Jihad (holy war) and then I would fight against the Jews."

"Why do you say, 'if the Jews escalate the war?' What if it was the Arabs who escalated the war?" I asked him.

"It would make no difference. It would still be Jihad." But he hoped it would not come to that. He had been to Israel and he knew there was much that the Jews could do for the Arabs in the Middle East and vice versa.

The attitude of Muslims to Jews, he said, was laid down in the Koran. The Jews were the People of the Book. They were entitled to protection from persecution and the right to own land, in London, in East Germany and in Tel Aviv. He could have understood, he said, if the Jews had taken over Germany or East Germany, at whose hands they had suffered, but why pick on Palestine?

I explained that Jewish settlement in Palestine long preceded the advent of Hitler and that most of the Jewish population of Israel was made up of Jews born there or coming from Middle Eastern countries. He seemed surprised that this was the case, but the determining factor for him was that the Jewish State displaced half a million Arabs in 1948.

As I reeled off the countries in Africa and Asia where Israel was providing technical assistance, he made notes as though hearing these things for the first time. He was also impressed that Israel had successfully overthrown colonial rule in Palestine.

Michael Abdul Malik speaks with the calm assurance of a latter-day prophet, but he has an inquiring mind, and he can be convinced by facts and logic.

Prays at Western Wall in Jerusalem.- Sammy Davis Jr. during a flying visit to Israel.

DRUG ADDICTION DISTURBING

Jerusalem (JCNS).- Drug-taking has reached Israeli youth as a whole, including the children of middle-class parents, and is no longer confined to delinquent groups and American visitors. This is the disturbing conclusion of a report issued this week by the Ministry for Social Welfare. It is based on a research study by a Ministry official, Yitzhak Berman, a recent immigrant from the United States.

Mr. Berman, a sociologist who studied narcotics addiction in America, said in his report that the four main factors leading to an increase in drug-taking arose as by-products of the Six Day War. There were the influx of foreign volunteers; contact with the Arab population in Jerusalem, the occupied territories, and Jordan; the resultant lowering in price and easier availability of drugs; and the fashionability of drug-taking.

The report refers almost exclusively to hashish. Little is known about the prevalence of other drugs. It is, however, known that LSD is in "very rare" use.

It could not be said, Mr. Berman added, that drug-taking was a serious problem in Israeli society, particularly as the menacing dope, such as LSD, was still very much on the fringe. However, some persons were concerned at the spread of addiction, and Israel, least of all countries could not afford the dissipation of morale that narcotics produced.

NO SLUMS

Haifa (JCNS).- Israel's major port city, Haifa, has made considerable progress in clearing its slums, and two-thirds of the slum population has been moved to better accommodation during the past seven years.

Announcing this, Moshe Flieman, the Mayor of Haifa said that the country's most troublesome slum district, Wadi Salib, where there were riots in 1960, has been two-thirds cleared.

Its former inhabitants would be rehoused in 200 new houses being built on the edge of the former slum, and would have new immigrants and young sabra married couples as immediate neighbors.

The policy of mixing residents in new housing areas had been highly successful, the Mayor said, adding that slum-dwellers had been persuaded to move out voluntarily. Compulsion had not been used in a single case.

Mr. Flieman said that the Shemen Beach slum had been completely cleared.

Toronto Synagogues and Organizations

SEMINAR

The Canadian Council of Christians and Jews will sponsor the fourth annual National Citizenship Seminar for young adult leaders across Canada, August 24th through 29th, at Glendon College, York University. One hundred adult leaders from every province in Canada will attend. They will represent French Canadians, Indians, the ethnic minorities, drawn from the major religions of the nations.

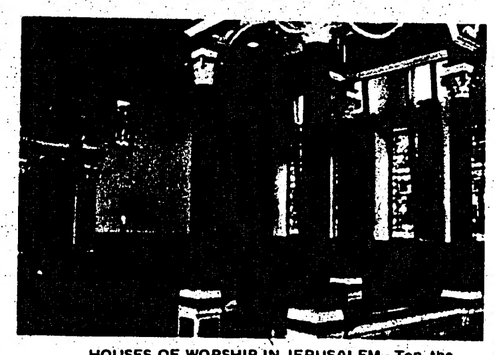
Principal thesis of the conference will be the social and economic crises in Canada, particularly as they affect Indian-non-Indian relations, French-English relations and the role of minority groups in general.

GUEST SPEAKER

Rabbi Aaron Greenbaum of Jerusalem will be guest speaker at the annual meeting of the Central Fund for Traditional Institutions of Toronto, Tuesday, August 12th at Associated Hebrew Schools. Topic: Jerusalem Today.

The Central Fund for Traditional Institutions, which supports residents in and individuals attending 170 religious, educational and welfare institutions in Israel, was founded by the United Jewish Welfare Fund of Toronto in 1959. Purpose: to consolidate the many separate fundraising efforts of the beneficiary institutions into one annual campaign. Proceeds then are allocated to the institutions directly rather than through intermediary collectors.

Kurt Rothschild is the present Fund president.



HOUSES OF WORSHIP IN JERUSALEM.- Top, the synagogue at the Tomb of King David; bottom, the sanctuary at Hechel Shlomo.

NEW SYNAGOGUE FOR JERUSALEM

The cornerstone of the Jerusalem Great Synagogue was laid last month in the presence of delegations from world Jewry. Four days of celebrations proceded the event and included a conference of Jewish communities.

The synagogue will be the biggest ever to be built in Jerusalem at a cost of $2 million. The amount is being raised by donations from individual Jews all over the world and through a loan from the Israeli government. Seating capacity will be 1,200 which can be expanded to 2,000 for high holidays and other special occasions.

French Jewry was represented at the ceremony by a large delegation from the Consistoire de France, headed by Chief Rabbi Kaplan and Barons Edmond and Alain de Rothschild. The English delegation was led by Chief Rabbis Jakobovits and Brodie, the Hacham Dr. Gaon and Sir Isaac Wolfson. From Switzerland came the Chief Rabbi of Geneva with a delegation.

The Great Synagogue will rise next to Hechal Shlomo, seat of the Chief Rabbinate of Israel. Designed by Jerusalem architect Friedman, it will be built of Jerusalem stone and its central feature will be a tower consisting of two tablets with the Ten Commandments separated by a stained glass window. The choir will be located in a sunken well, which can be raised for chupot (wedding ceremonies) when the roof above is slid back in order to perform the wedding under the open sky as is customary especially in Jerusalem.

The Conference or Jewish Communities which preceded the groundbreaking ceremony discussed questions of immigration and pilgrimage to Israel. The celebrations also included prayers at the Western Wall and at Hechal Shlomo, as well as visits to Jewish Holy Places in Bethlehem and Hebron.

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Albert is still working but he's not sure for how much longer. Unemployment, illness, or financial difficulties won't prevent him from having OHSIP protection—he can apply for temporary premium assistance. Full or partial premium assistance will also be available to him, determined by his annual taxable income.

Pete is receiving Old Age Assistance from the Province of Ontario. After October 1st, his present coverage from OMSIP will simply continue from OHSIP, automatically. All he has to do is wait. He knows OHSIP will be the health insurance he can count on.

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Inferiority complex

WANTED: DIGNITY

A representative of a national Jewish organization in Canada is reported to have approached some Negro leaders here to support the move to make sure that the antihate amendment to the Criminal Code receives final approval in Ottawa.

This organization seems to be inspired by the almost sickening flattery of certain extreme minority-groups south of the border. In fact, one should not forget that most of the movements among colored people in the United States originally were sponsored by a certain Jewish "defense" organization and other Jewish groups who took upon themselves the task of fighting for justice the wrong way. We know today where these organizations in the United States have led us as well as those whom they allegedly were supposed to help as a result of an inferiority-obsession so characteristic of assimilated and semiassimilated Jews.

Here in Canada, when representatives of a national Jewish organization approached some Negroes for support in securing the antihatred bill, they were turned down.

Of course, all these negotiations are being kept secret. They are being reported to a few hundred naive "delegates" of groups who elect themselves to represent the community.

At a time when Negro leader Cleaver tells the Algerians in the name of the American Negroes that Israel is a colonialist base of the United States, when other Negro organizations are controled virtually by the most extreme Arab propagandists, what business has a Canadian Jewish organization to bend on its knees to an unimportant Negro organization here?

Jews the world over are engaged in a tremendous mobilization-effort in defense of Israel. But the busybodies who have no connection with the true aspirations of Jews who wish to remain Jews are involved in preparing here a situation similar to that which threatens many Jewish communities in the United States.

The trouble with some of our Jewish organizations is they are not beholden to report to the Jewish public nor are they responsible to public opinion. They are busy. Busy with what?

The Russian "Package Deal"

HITTING NASSER
WHERE IT HURTS

A JCNS EXCLUSIVE

By Major-General CHAIM HERZOG

LAST week's military operations by the Israeli Army and Air Force along the Suez Canal were designed to serve notice on the Egyptian high command that the flouting by Egypt of the ceasefire arrangements would have serious consequences for her. Israel feels completely free to play the game as it sees fit and not according to Egyptian rules.

The Egyptian reaction to the Israeli operations, complaining that they were "without regard to world opinion," is evidence of the fact that the casualties and damage inflicted on Egypt's forces were much more serious than they are prepared to admit.

But while Israel is determined to use all the force necessary to prevail in the canal area, it does not mean that the region is on the verge of another all-out war.

The present static war along a clearly defined line between the two contending armies in "Maginot style" should not be confused with all-out mobile war. On the contrary, paradoxically enough, Israel's forays—though subject to the interpretation that they are an escalation—are possibly the best guarantee that no major war will develop. For they are designed to remind the enemy of his weaknesses, to retain Israel's strategic initiative and to create a deterrent, both real and psychological, which will damp down Egyptian eagerness for a new war, and lessen the enthusiasm of her Arab allies to join in another Egyptian-led adventure.

Egyptian comeback

President Nasser recently enumerated the three phases of his projected military comeback. (Like many dictators he is predisposed to set forth his intentions in advance, and such pronouncements are equally wont to be ignored by world opinion.) The first, or defensive, phase was concluded in September, 1968.

This was followed by phase two, that of retribution, and entails sniping and heavy artillery barrages, escalating up to commando raids. This phase is designed to lead to the final phase, when Egypt is supposed to go over to the offensive.

During the second phase, the aim is to wear Israel down economically and, more important, psychologically through inflicting on Israel's close knit population a steadily increasing stream of casualties.

The Egyptian plan is designed to isolate the military front from its civilian population. The home front is restless, discontented and openly critical of Nasser's government and the constant state of emergency generates the necessary tension and war-like atmosphere the dictator needs to relieve the pressures on his régime.

Also, the process of isolating or insulating the civilian population from the harsh realities of war—by such measures as the forcible evacuation of hundreds of thousands of civilians from the canal zone—enables the Egyptian propaganda machine to camouflage the true state of affairs unhindered by eye-witness observers not subject to military discipline.

Egyptian military policy, as of this writing, continues to be a static war of attrition limited (Egypt hopes) to the immediate canal area. Israel's reply has been to ignore the local character of the conflict and to refuse to dance to the Egyptian tune. She has seized the strategic initiative, striking at Egypt's most vulnerable installations. In doing so Israel has demonstrated that Egypt is wide open to operations all along her coasts, deep within her territory along the Nile and, most important, in the air over Cairo and any other part of the country.

Striking an apologetic note in his public speeches, Nasser has reiterated his refusal to rise to Israel's bait and affirmed that he would not disperse his forces from their concentration along the canal.

Commando raid

Sunday's air action by Israel which was directed mainly at anti-aircraft gun emplacements, missile sites and artillery bases was equally aimed at proving Israel's continued air superiority. This followed a successful commando raid which destroyed anti-aircraft positions and a radar base on Green Island in the Gulf of Suez, protecting the air approaches to Suez town.

Israel's aerial presence in the sky over Egypt unchallenged for over two and a half hours before the Egyptian Air Force intervened cannot have gone completely unnoticed in Egypt despite the fantastic Egyptian claims of heavy Israeli losses.

Thus, Israel hopes to bring home to the Egyptian people the fact of Egypt's basic vulnerability. Indeed, the official Egyptian reaction indicates greater concern than usual and if it does nothing else it is perhaps convincing the Israelis that its policy of making the price of Egyptian violations of the ceasefire prohibitive is paying off.

Nor has Israel within the framework of the Egyptian static war reached the limit of its deterrent capabilities. But this does not yet mean escalation to an all-out war. Israelis don't want one and the Egyptians (during this phase two) cannot yet wage one.

Dateline: Israel

YIDDISH COMES HOME

by Mendel Kohansky

Over the past several years a veritable Itzik Manger cult has developed in Israel. The Hebrew translation of his Yiddish poems which appeared in book form earlier this year was widely acclaimed by the press and two theaters are now considering producing plays based on his work. In addition, there was a recent exhibition of paintings and bas-relief on motifs from Manger poems in Tel Aviv, while expressions from his "Megillah" have been appropriated en masse by the sophisticated set.

"The Megillan" is a collection of Yiddish poems based on the Book of Esther, but set in the shtetl which Manger knew so well. Presented in the form of the traditional Purimspiel with overtones of the Italian commedia dell'arte, the results were enthusiastically received by critics and public alike. Not only was the show a great success but a recording of it sold ten thousand copies, phenomenal for Israel.

Then came two mammoth Manger evenings in Tel Aviv's Mann Auditorium, arranged by a group of Manger admirers, in which some of the best performing artists of Israel gave their services free.

The evenings were in Yiddish, with the master of ceremonies occasionally interspersing Hebrew phrases for the benefit of those in the audience who did not understand mammaloshen.

For the matriarchal Hanna Rovina, queen of Israe'ls theater, who recited Manger's poem "Ich hab yohren gevalgert in der fremd" it was a moving, if belated, debut in a language she had known in her childhood. She was shortly thereafter to recite the same poem at the poet's funeral.

The great Yiddish poet had for years been the victim of a disease which robbed him of all faculties, including speech. Only his mind remained clear until the very end, which came on February 20, 1969.

But by the time he died, everyone in Israel with some interest in literature knew that the greatest contemporary Yiddish poet was resident in the country, and on October 31 last year the President of Israel announced the Itzik Manger Prize for Yiddish Literature.

The establishment of the prize was an act of redress for a great wrong. This was stressed by President Shazar who spoke with much emotion about the sin committed by the people of Israel against Yiddish and Yiddish culture. Though this ultimate recognition of the value of Yiddish came at the end of a protracted struggle, it was the presence in Israel of the greatest contemporary Yiddish poet which finally righted the historic wrong.

One can fix the turning point at an evening in 1965 when the Hammam cabaret, a popular gathering place of sophisticated youth, presented Itzik Manger's "Megillah" in the original Yiddish. While there is nothing unusual about Yiddish shows in Israel, this was a remarkable event, in that it was presented before a predominantly youthful Hebrew-speaking audience.

These same young Israelis, who until a short time ago sneered when they heard Yiddish spoken, considering the language one of the uglier excrescences of life in the ghetto, were enraptured by the novel experience.

Manger's beautiful poem, brimming with the wit and wisdom bred in the ghettoes, became the catalyst in a transition which waa long overdue.

The young generation of Israel had finally come to realize the presence of a rich flowering culture which must inevitably become part of the culture of the new Israel.

ASK THE RABBI

JCNS featurette

Is there anything contrary to Jewish belief in the Lord's Prayer. Is it in order for Jews to join Christians in reciting it?

It has often been noted that this prayer has striking affinities with the *Kaddish*. At the time of Jesus there seem to have been a number of such prayers for the establishment of the Kingdom of Heaven. "Our Father which art in Heaven" is, of course, the introductory formula found in a number of Jewish prayers—*avinu she-bashamayim*.

But whether Jews may join Christians in reciting the prayer is another matter. It cannot be denied that the Lord's Prayer has become a Christian prayer and the model of Christian devotion. To recite it together with Christians is therefore to do something more than give assent to its sentiments. It is to participate in an act of especially Christian worship and this is hardly seemly for a Jew.

I believe I am right in saying that the Torah nowhere prescribes how meat is to be koshered. What is the authority for these rules?

The Torah repeatedly forbids the partaking of blood (e.g., *Leviticus 3, 13*). The rabbis understand the prohibition as applying not only to drinking blood extracted from the animal but also to eating bloody meat. Consequently, the purpose of koshering the meat is to remove from it as much blood as possible before cooking. There are many complicated discussions in the sources as to whether koshering is required by Biblical or by rabbinic law and as to the origin of the various details of the process. The classic summary of the whole subject is provided for the expert by Rabbi Joseph Teomim (1727-93) in his *Peri Megadim (Yoreh Deah, Hilchot Melicha,* Introduction).

What are the regulations about sitting shiva during festivals?

Since public mourning is forbidden on the festivals it is forbidden to sit shiva during them. If a death occurs before a festival then shiva is observed until the festival, and the advent of the festival cancels out the remainder. If the death took place during the festival shiva is to be observed after the festival, but in the diaspora—only for six days instead of seven.

letters and opinions

AWAKEN THE DORMANT

Dear Editor:

I've been a regular reader of The Canadian Jewish News for some time. Its concern for the State of Israel reflects the kind of dedication that one can't help but admire.

For some obscure reason too many of our fellow Jews have been guilty of indifference. That's an incredible thing to say when one recalls our tragic past.

Too many of us fail to realize one basic truth: our future as a distinct culture is very much connected with Israel. In addition to generous contributions to campaign funds, Israel needs a personal commitment of moral support. The financial assistance generously demonstrated time and again too often excludes this personal involvement.

My hope is that The Canadian Jewish News succeeds in awakening this dormant spirit, this lethargy of ours, to become acquainted with the real meaning of Israel and its importance as the true common denominator of our people.

Your voice acting as the conscience of our community and the message therein truly is as important as the voice of Old, of our Prophets.

Harry Schiller
Willowdale, Ont.

WHY KENSINGTON GHETTO?

Dear Editor:

I read in a Toronto daily a very moving reportage about the beautiful Kensington area and a plea not to tear down the slums there. Someone spoke about the beauty and color of these relics of a past.

However, those who would like to keep Kensington as it is are forgetting that it recently has become a ghetto where two minority groups seem to be fighting each other. The most dangerous development in interracial relations here is the encouragement of separate ghettos for Portuguese, Negroes and others among the newcomers. I believe the clearing of slums and the building of decent housing for all New Canadians are more important than discoursing about the beauty of a district where no one among those who lament its passing would wish to live.

Albert Hoffer
Toronto

HOW TO HELP

Dear Editor:

Just a short note to say how much I appreciate seeing articles from time to time in The Canadian Jewish News concerning the issuing of new Israeli stamps.

Very little public attention usually is focused on this aspect of Israeli life. Yet postage stamps are in the top ten exports of the country, a valuable contribution to the country's economic life.

Drawing attention to Israeli stamps in The Canadian Jewish News also is an important contribution.

Once again, thanks.

Sid D. Antony
Toronto

BOOKS OF THE WEEK

JEWISH RENEGADES

by Dr. Arnold Ages

ISRAEL, ZIONISM AND THE NEW LEFT
by Richard L. Rubenstein
Zionist Organization of America
34 pp.

Whatever one may think of Richard Rubenstein as a theologian (he is one of those "Death of God" exponents), his recent contribution to the study of modern anti-Semitism is a most welcome document. In this short but extremely well written pamphlet Dr. Rubenstein explores one of the most curious aberrations of our time -- the phenomenon of Jewish antipathy towards the state of Israel.

As an introduction to this subject he first describes the attitudes of French and Russian Socialist revolutionaries towards the Jews. In their Utopian dreams of a future communitarian society there would be no place for Jews who wanted to preserve their ancestral heritage. Everyone was supposed to be equal in the great new proletarian enterprise. For this reason the early Socialist and Communist groups abominated the Zionist movement. This also included a significant portion of Jewish Communists who were ready to sacrifice their own people. Rubenstein records the painful fact that the Yiddish Communist daily Freiheit celebrated the massacre of Jews in the Arab riots of 1929 just as Karl Kautsky, a Jewish Marxist, had praised the Russian pogromists in 1891. But the supreme irony of history is that, despite their efforts, the Jewish radicals and revolutionaries inevitably were consumed by the revolution they sought to inspire. "No political magic could turn even a Jewish Communist into a brother Russian or Pole. The Jews remained what they had always been, outcasts and aliens. And, the revolution consumed them: Trotsky, Anna Pauker, Jakob Berman - the story everywhere is the same. Undoubtedly, it will be the same of Daniel Cohn-Bendit and the Jewish leaders of the American New Left should their revolutionary dreams succeed."

Rubenstein spends several pages in his paper in analyzing the disturbing phenomenon of black anti-Semitism and showing the double standards which animate this movement. "Ignoring the Arab's long history as slave traders," charges the author, "indifferent to Nasser's violence against the black Sudanese, they regard the Israelis as white imperialists who had usurped a colored nation's territory and victimized its people." And what kind of constructive suggestions do the Blacks have to apply to the Arab-Israeli problem? -- naked extermination of the Israeli populace.

Rubenstein is ready to accept and even to understand the implaccable hostility of the Arabs and the pathological hatred of the Blacks but he cannot tolerate the spectacle of the Jewish renegade. For over 100 years Jews in each generation "have willingly cooperated in violence against their own people in exchange for the empty promise that some day they would no longer be burdened with their mark of Cain, their Jewish identity . . . Nowhere did the Diaspora Jewish community exhibit the abnormality of its conditions more thoroughly than in the spawning of such a brood."

Check List

YIVO ANNUAL OF JEWISH SOCIAL SCIENCE
YIVO Institute 288 pp.

This year's collection of essays maintains the customary high standards of the YIVO publications. The current volume contains a fine essay on Yiddish compared with other immigrant languages in the U.S., a study of the attitude of the Russian Communist party toward Zionism and Jewish survival and a fascinating glimpse into the world of the Jewish Daily Forward and its editor, Abraham Cahan, in an essay written by Professor Tamara Hareven of Dalhousie University.

THE ARTISTS OF TEREZIN
by Gerald Green
Hawthorn 191 pp.

Terezin was the main concentration camp in Czechoslovakia and was set up by the Germans to hoodwink the western press and the International Red Cross into thinking that the Reich's treatment of the Jews was exemplary. It was nothing of the sort. Among the thousands of Jews that perished in Hitler's "model" camp were many gifted and sensitive artists. Gerald Green, author of The Last Angry Man, has gathered together some of the most poignant paintings done in Terezin by artists such as Otto Ungar, Bedrich Fritta, Leo Haas and Karel Fellschmann. To read Green's text and examine the paintings is to experience once again the resilience of the human spirit in the face of death.

KEEP SMILING

IN PLAIN LANGUAGE

In a group of UJA delegates which visited a settlement in Israel, there was a young matron who sported a conspicuously large diamond ring. After showing the visitors around the stables a hardened farmer asked the young lady about the value of the ring.

When she told him, he appeared thoughtful for a moment, then translating the value into his own terms, he retorted: "Lady, you've got no less than four cows and a bull on your finger!"

LOGICAL

A Yemenite entered a bus and sat down on a front seat.

"Fare, please," said the conductor. "You want me to give money?" protested the passenger. "Why, I came to Israel from Yemen for nothing, and you want me to pay to go from one street in Tel Aviv to another!"

ONE WAY

The young man sat next to the young girl on the bus skirting the suburbs late one night. He saw his chance. He leaned closer.

"What do I have to give you in order to receive one little kiss from you?" he asked.

"Chloroform!" snapped the girl, and moved to another seat.

OBSERVANT

A little girl was told to go to bed, but objected violently. "But, dear," said her mother, "it's long past your bedtime. All the little chickens have gone to bed already."

"Yes, but the old hen always goes with them," protested the child.

NIMBLE

A refugee professor, now a farm worker in Israel, was questioned regarding his experiences under the Nazis.

"And what did you do when you got that letter from the Gestapo?"

"I finished reading it on the train," replied the Professor.

SERMON FOR THE WEEK

FAILURE AND TRIUMPH

And thou shalt make for thyself an ark of wood
(Deuteronomy X,1).

The Bible records the tragic failure of Israel at the dawn of its history. When Moses, descending the mount, became aware of Israel's sin in erecting a golden calf for worship, he thrust the tablets of stone aside and broke them. This breaking of the stones was not the result of a mood of uncontrollable anger but a symbolic act declaring the failure of man to live up to the standard demanded by the Divine Law. The tablets of stone were no longer sacred if they had no relevance to human capacity. Sanctity is a link between God and man. God does not require the attribute of sanctity for He is transcendent. Man needs the sacred but it must be humanly attainable. There was failure but whose was it?

Moses now had a lesson to learn. As the leader of the people it was his duty to analyse this failure. Did the law fail or was it Israel that had lapsed? Was the Law beyond human capability or had Israel not lived up to its potentiality?

Moses prayed forty days and nights and his prayer was one of meditation on this problem of failure. During these days of devotion and reflection there came to him the realisation that man had failed and not the Law.

After the prayer of Moses came the message of God for the rehabilitation of Israel. The tablets of stone with the laws engraved thereon must be reconstructed. These tablets must be fashioned anew to indicate that God's Law is within the bounds of human possibility. There was to be a lesson in the manner of their making. Whereas God had made the first tablets of stone and had written the laws on them, the second tablets were to be made by Moses but the writing was to be that of God. This was to reveal the partnership between God and man in the faith of Israel.

It is no use man pleading justification for sin because of human inadequacy. Had man no soul there could be no partnership between God and man. Because man has been endowed with the Divine spark this co-operation between God and man is possible. The human side of man does not impede the vision of God. For the human make-up is such that man is able to surpass himself. Heidegger calls this the "self-transcendence" of man, that man who is part of this world may enter into a partnership with God who is greater than the world.

Not only were the two new tablets of stone proclaiming the Law to be placed in the Ark but, as the Rabbis tell us, the broken pieces of the first tablets were also to find a sacred home therein. Surely these broken pieces reflecting man's failure should have been buried and obscured from sight. Why were they preserved and honoured?

Our failures have their sacred purpose. We learn more from failure than success. The broken pieces of stone taught Israel that we must not ascribe our failure to others but to ourselves. Failure is not an occasion for despair, because it is not inevitable. We can rise above failure. Through renewal of effort we can achieve that in which we formerly failed. The broken stones can be replaced by whole ones, failure by triumph.

the lively arts

THEATRE MUSIC FILM

BY B. COHN

* Sammy Davis Jr., who converted to the Jewish faith 14 years ago, arrived in Tel Aviv last week for his first visit to Israel. He said: "It's just like coming home."

Davis, who took time off from filming a movie in London to come to Israel, said, "I feel six feet off the ground at the moment. It's just great to be here."

Davis met Israeli troops and visited the Wailing Wall in Jerusalem, the most sacred site of the Jewish religion.

* Stanley Kramer, the director who never is at a loss for a message -- he has probed such problems as nuclear war, interracial marriage and mental retardation -- is ready to tackle campus conflict. His new film will be called, R.P.M. (stemming from the automotive engineering phrase, revolutions per minute). The screenplay is by Rod Serling. Anthony Quinn will have the leading role, dean of a small college who is, according to Kramer, "caught in the fusillade of conflicting ideas and emotions of the students and the college administration. He's a rough man who came up from the ghetto. It's a generation gap story, of course, but I hope it will be more than just that. We want to show, through the eyes of a middle aged man, the point of view held by that most damned of individuals, the liberal -- as well as the true meaning of law and order."

Shooting, for Columbia Pictures, will begin in October on the campus of "a noted college," says Kramer. That is, if they can find one with a little law and order.

* The Front Page will have another run on Broadway in the fall. The Ben Hecht-Charles MacArthur play had a successful revival last spring but its closing after a profitable run of eight weeks puzzled some theater observers as well as members of its company.

Jay Fuchs, the young Off Broadway producer who is about to conclude negotiations for putting the play on in mid-October, said he would try to engage most of the original cast. Fuchs said his revival would be financed at about $50,000 and that the performers would receive a salary plus a percentage of the box office receipts.

* Recently Chaim Topol was astonished to read in a London newspaper that he was flying to Israel "to do a four-week training stint in the Israeli Army."

The paper even printed a remark to have been made by Topol: "We reserves have to do six weeks with the army every year . . . I hope I am not involved in any fighting when I go back."

To add to Topol's bewilderment, another London paper, without checking with the actor, printed a similar story the following day.

Topol insists he hasn't the faintest idea how the story could have arisen. "I haven't spoken to any reporter on any such topic," he remarked, his puzzlement increasing. "I have no plans at the moment for army training. I am going to New York where I shall appear -- of all things -- on a David Frost show. I shall then return to London to make an LP recording of Israeli songs."

Afterwards Topol will leave for Israel where he will appear in a color film to be produced by BBC.

Topol is still anxious to discover how this no-story ever was printed.

* New York University recently awarded prizes to two Israelis for their work in Hebrew literature: Prof. Lea Goldberg, head of the Hebrew University's department of comparative literature; Gershon Shofman, a Russian born author.

Prof. Goldberg is one of Israel's leading playwrights and poets. She has translated the works of Shakespeare, Tolstoy, Gorky and Brecht into Hebrew.

Eighty-nine year old Shofman has been writing short stories since 1899. He frequently deals with the self-searching, maladjusted Jewish intellectual.

* A press conference at which Barbra Streisand, Yves Montand and Alan Jay Lerner discussed Paramount Pictures' forthcoming musical film, On A Clear Day You Can See Forever, was recorded in Hollywood and is being sent to English-speaking territories outside the United States and Canada for use as a unique promotional aid for the film. The record, for use by radio stations, exhibitors and journalists, contains many interesting details about the making of the film and about its stars.

* Columbia, the company that has brought Barbra Streisand to the screen, feels it has discovered another major film-find in her estranged husband, Elliott Gould.

GOING STRONG.- Hal March (top) and Jackie Coogan, who star in The Odd Couple, at Toronto's Royal Alex through tomorrow night.

KING DAVID, ARMENIAN VERSION.- A portrait of Jerusalem's first monarch, from the Bible d'Erzincan, dated about 1270. This priceless work of art is part of the collection of the Armenian Church in the Holy City and now is on exhibit at the Israeli Museum there. Thousands of Armenians from many lands made their pilgrimage this week to Jerusalem for this occasion. Armenians are the majority of the Christians in the Old City where they have been living in the Armenian Quarter for centuries. Bishop Ajamian of Jerusalem, on this occasion, said that many Soviet Armenians would "love to join us" in United Jerusalem but "cannot," hinting at their common destiny with Russian Jews.

STAR OF THE SHOW.- Yvonne De Carlo, exotic star, who is featured with John Vivyan in Cactus Flower, commencing at Toronto's Royal Alexandra Theater Wednesday, August 6th.

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CLUB DATE

Kenny Gordon and the Big Band Sound of Bobby Charles entertains at the Hook and Ladder Club of the Beverly Hills Motor Hotel. Kenny's big baritone voice can handle everything from Exodus to Sunny. Bobby Charles leads the band that backs him up and lays down a big beat on the organ, varying the sound from pounding rhythm to soft sweet singing. Six more musicians set their trumpets wailing; sax and drums round up the band.

A RETURN

Cactus Flower returns to the Royal Alexandra Theater this Wednesday to a more than welcoming audience. Written by Abe Burrows, the comedy stars Yvonne De Carlo as a Cinderella seemingly as thorny as the cactus plant she keeps on her receptionist's desk in a fashionable dentist's office. How she gets her boss to see her as a person provides an evening of interest and hilarity. John Vivyan plays the deceiving dentist.

IN THE COUNTRY

Goodbye Charlie at the Red Barn Theater in Jackson's Point continues to wow summer guests through Sunday.

This coming Tuesday, August 5th, Any Wednesday, by Muriel Resnik, will be presented, starring Francis Gallagher, Diane Grand, Larry Reynolds and Lynne Gorman. Producer is Ray Lawlor.

BENEFIT

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2:30 Kew Gardens - Toronto Garrison Artillery Band Guest Artist - Klaus Van Graft
2:30 Willowvale Pk. - Governor General's Horse Guards Band
5:30 High Park - Organ Recital, Ronnie Padgett
7:30 Earlscourt Pk. - David Black Orchestra
MONDAY, AUG. 4TH
7:30 Nathan Phillips Sq. - Lloyd Bradshaw Presents. Music for a Summer Evening
8:30 Ramsden Pk. - Square Dancing, Bob Scott Orchestra
8:30 Greenwood Pk. - Square Dancing, Angus MacKinnon Orchestra
TUESDAY, AUG. 5TH
8:00 Allan Gdns. - 1st Toronto Service Battalion Band
8:30 Withrow Pk. - Square Dancing, Bob Scott Orchestra
WEDNESDAY, AUG. 6TH
12:15 Nathan Phillips Sq. - The Carlton Showband
8:30 Eglinton Pk. - Eddy Graf Orchestra
8:30 Riverdale Pk. - Stan Thomas, Rickie & Terry, Hazel Goldenberg, M.C. Tom Kelly
8:30 Monarch Pk. - Square Dancing, Bob Scott Orchestra
8:30 Dufferin Grove Pk. - Square Dancing, Angus MacKinnon Orchestra
THURSDAY, AUG. 7TH
7:30 Forest Hill Memorial Pk. - Jim Pirie Quartette Henry Cuesta Septette
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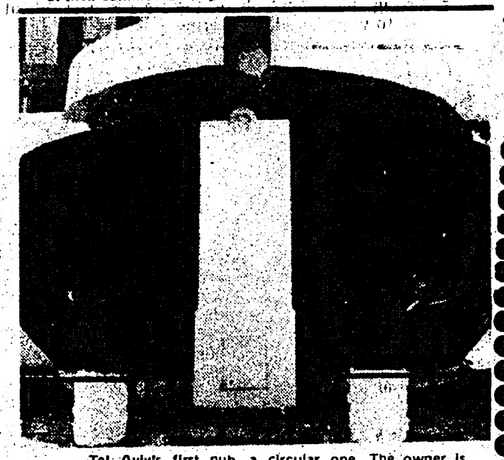

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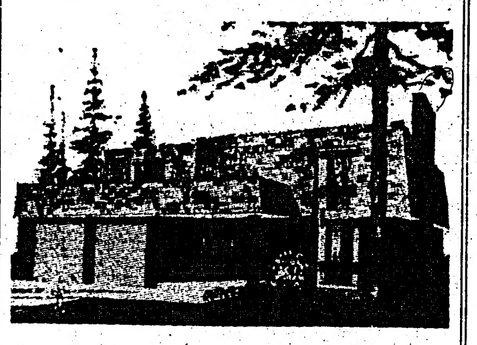

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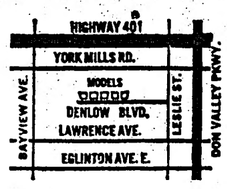

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ASPHALT CITY FARMERS

by Moshe Brilliant, Tel Aviv

Israel may well have the only farmers in the world bred in asphalt cities. They range from bookworms from east European ghettoes to hawkers from the casbahs of Islamic countries.

The first pioneers were Jewish intellectuals from Europe impelled by a craving for physical ties with their ancestral soil in Palestine. They started the kibbutz (collective) and moshav (smallholders' cooperative) movements early in the century. Recent additions to the farming community were immigrants from the slums of north Africa and the Middle East who were to a large extent rather unwitting pioneers since they had been taken from ship to farm without being asked.

The course of agricultural settlement in Israel was thus influenced substantially by Zionism, politics, security, population dispersal, and other considerations normally extraneous to farming. Settlements were frequently established in rocky hills or in semi-arid regions where people were wanted for tactical reasons rather than for prospects of profitable harvests.

Taking all that into consideration, the achievements of Israel agriculture have been remarkable. One-third of the farmers are highly successful by any international standards, one-third are average and one-third are struggling. The third category comprises mostly post-1948 immigrants from backward areas, but some of the newcomers have already reached the top class.

In one respect, the fact that farmers were novices has been advantageous. They were extremely receptive to innovation and experiment. They were among the leaders in mechanization. Official records show there is one tractor for every three farmers.

Progress has also been made in controlled farming. Vegetables and flowers have been raised under plastic with temperatures, humidity, nourishment and other factors scientifically controlled. There are also experiments with hormones to speed growth.

A turning point in Israel agriculture occurred five years ago when self-sufficiency in food was achieved. The farms produced 80 percent to 85 percent of the country's needs. Wheat, sugar, beef and oil production had to be supplemented by imports and the country produced no tea, coffee or rice but exports of surpluses earned enough to pay for the necessary imports.

Then the country began to work for export to keep the farmers on the land and to stop a population shift to the cities which was undesirable for political and tactical reasons. According to Mr. Ariel Amiad, Director General of the Ministry of Agriculture, 25 percent of this year's $6 1/2 m. production is being exported. He said the target for the next decade is to increase exports to 50 percent.

The outlets are western Europe and particularly Britain for sub-tropical fruits, winter and early spring vegetables and flowers; western Europe and America for processed foods; and the countries of the region for breeding-stock such as heifers and chickens.

Citrus is unchallenged as the staple industry but after years of market research and experimentation the Israelis have developed a variety of other export products. Some were entirely new in the region and in other cases special strains were cultivated for export.

Products which have found outlets in Britain include avocados, melons, strawberries, artichokes, peppers, lettuce, celery, onions and carrots.

Producing for export is the latest stage in Israel's changing agriculture. When Britain ruled Palestine, Jews were mainly mixed farmers to assure self-sufficiency for each village in fresh foods. Surpluses of milk, eggs or vegetables were sold. That policy was advisable for security reasons as Jewish settlements were often isolated in Arab areas. There was the British Government to import basic foods and raw materials and the Bank of England to worry about the stability of the currency, so that an insular approach could be easily afforded.

The picture changed when Israel became independent. The immediate problem was the absorption of wave after wave of unskilled and penniless immigrants and the production of food. The new arrivals were organized in farming communities based on the mochas pattern and were told to raise food. Production costs did not matter much.

In due course the farmers gained experience and there were surpluses of vegetables, milk and eggs. Meanwhile, the agricultural authorities learned the relative advantages of each area for particular crops and there was a gradual shift from mixed to specialized farming. Some settlements introduced ground nuts, cotton, oil seeds, sugar beet and other industrial crops. The specialization opened the way for increased mechanization, regional packing and processing plants and other services.

On the whole the collectives specialize in livestock, fish, cotton production, and lines that require mechanization. Cooperatives account for most of the milk, eggs, poultry and vegetable production. The citrus industry is mostly in the hands of private planters in the maritime plain while Arabs, whose farms are largely unirrigated, raise tobacco, sheep and olives.

They work and play

A gay scene in Ramat Gan last week, when the municipality sponsored a sale of Israeli-manufactured toys and games for the younger set

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Frightened Boston Jews 'starving'

New York

Many of the elderly Jews living in Mattapan, a poor district of Boston, are afraid to go out shopping, even for food, and are suffering from malnutrition. Some of them have not been out for months, relying on their neighbours to bring them food.

This statement was made to your correspondent in a telephone interview with Rabbi Gerald D. Zelermyer, the 28-year-old minister of Temple Beth Hillel in Mattapan.

Rabbi Zelermyer was injured some time ago, when three Negro teenagers threw an acid bomb in his face, after ringing his doorbell and handing him a note reading: "Jew . . . get out of town."

He has sharply criticised the Jewish community for its apathy and inaction in the "emergency" situation deriving from the black-Jewish confrontation in changing neighbourhoods like his own.

Too poor to move

Many of the 10,000 Jewish residents of Mattapan are elderly widows or widowers living alone, and cannot afford to move elsewhere, Rabbi Zelermyer said.

But there are also many lower-class families with teenage children in the neighbourhood who want to move out. The young people, the rabbi said, face "nightly confrontations" with black teenagers "over the right to play ball in the street."

The local high school, named after the Jewish jurist, Solomon Lewenberg, which once had the second highest academic standard in the whole of Boston, has deteriorated into "anarchy," he said.

The small number of Jewish students who have not been able to transfer to other schools, which have stiff admission examinations, must pay "extortion money" to Negro gangs for "protection."

Black squeeze

Part of the reason why Jews are leaving the area is that, in most cases when a tenement building is sold to a black landlord, he "makes it hard on the Jewish tenants" who are pressured into moving, or even evicted.

Rabbi Zelermyer said that "the total Jewish community has long ago written off the area. Mattapan does not contain affluent Jews, so they cannot exert any kind of pressure on the city. Only the entire Boston community can put the kind of pressure necessary on the city, and this it is not interested in doing."

Asked whether he had any idea why he was attacked, Rabbi Zelermyer told me that, several weeks previously one of the members of his synagogue board had received a telephone call asking if the building was for sale to the black community. He had said that it was not.

The rabbi added that, two years ago, Mishkan Tefila, an old congregation in the Boston district of Roxbury, moved to another area and handed the building over to the Lubavitch movement for use as a yeshiva.

When the Lubavitch people moved to Brookline, the building fell by default to the Combined Jewish Philanthropies of Greater Boston.

Black militants, he continued, threatened to set the building on fire if it was not given to them. "It was turned over to them for one dollar," Rabbi Zelermyer said. "Now this kind of behaviour is accepted and taken for granted."

Rabbi Zelermyer has come to the conclusion that there must be some co-ordinated action on this problem at national level. "If nothing is done it will spell the end of urban Jewish life," he said.

● *We didn't let you know that Mrs. Feffer moved from Pitt Avenue to Ritz Boulevard. Nor did we print that Mrs. Saltz is vacationing in Jamaica*

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MONTREAL

SUMMER IN ISRAEL.- A group of Israel Summer Institute participants, prior to their departure from Montreal to Israel. Students from across Canada are spending this summer in Israel on special programs organized by the Youth and Hechalutz Department of the Jewish Agency and the F.Z.O.C.

GI REDEEMS FIRST-BORN SON IN GERMANY.- The resourcefulness of Jewish military chaplains served by the Commission on Jewish Chaplaincy of the U.S. National Jewish Welfare Board (JWB) is demonstrated by the availability of the five silver dollars (no longer in circulation) shown being paid by a U.S. serviceman at Ramstein Air Force Base, Germany, in the traditional Pidyon Haben (redemption) ceremony for his first-born son. Sp/5 Harvey Klug (second left), the father, presents the coins to Chaplain Nahum Cohen, U.S. Army Reserve Chaplain, as Mrs. Klug and Ramstein Jewish Chaplain Sydney Hoffman look on. A frantic search for the rare silver dollars involved the two Jewish chaplains, a Protestant chaplain and the staff of the 25th Army Postal Unit.

NEWLY APPOINTED.- Kenneth Mawson, Superintendent of Supervision and Instruction in the North York educational system since August, 1967, who has been appointed Assistant Director of Education by the Board of Education for the Borough of North York, commencing September 1st.

HUMAN RELATIONS

father problem

DR. ROSE N. FRANZBLAU

QUESTION: My father, 59, has fallen into a state of anxiety and depression.

After working in a Civil Service job for 37 years, he retired at 57. He held a second job, too, and for many years worked 14 hours daily. He will be eligible for retirement from his second job at 62. He worked hard to give his family luxuries, but now feels he has accomplished nothing, and is anxious about the future.

My mother also worked for the last 15 years. My parents will have a fairly good income upon retirement.

My father has one brother who is very successful.

I am 35, married, with 3 children. My children love my parents, but my father is withdrawing more and more from them.

My mother was always the dominant force and made all the decisions. My father never had time to develop outside interests. Now he does nothing with his spare time. My mother in her frustration alternately storms at him, and leaves the house.

ANSWER: People do not necessarily feel more secure or worthy, as the years go on. They may have done a very good job of raising a family and keeping their marriage going. But, somehow, if this did not fulfill some frustrated dreams, they may never have overcome their basic feelings of inferiority.

With no daily schedule and no specific duties and responsibilities, he feels like a useless wanderer on the face of the earth. Like the woman, the man staying home full-time may start speculating afresh about his sex life, and what will happen now that he cannot plead lack of time, or fatigue, as a reason for not initiating the fore-play that leads to this expression of love. As long as he worked so long and hard to give the family everything he could, the sexual inactivity did not make him question his potency. But now he begins to worry how well he will do. It is, in a way, like taking a test after many years away from school, without a refresher course to prepare for it.

Your father undoubtedly felt that his wife dominated the scene, and in making all the decisions, took away his male prerogative. His only status being that of the supporter of the family, he is naturally concerned about how he will be treated once he quits working altogether. When your mother storms at him or leaves the house in anger, his worst fears come to pass.

What still bothers him most is that he couldn't put up a fight for himself and express his anger and annoyance. Fearing reprisals he turns this hostility, felt for others, upon himself, causing the depression.

The difficulties and problems that they face can certainly be overcome with help from an expert. This could also clear up your father's depression. If your mother got some help for herself, too, your father would not resent the suggestion or see in it a diagnosis of mental illness. To your father it could be a sign of love, and proof of your mother's wish to make their life together a longer and happier one.

When your father takes over the position as the man of the house, which he basically wants to do and which therapy will help him to attain, then he will want to participate more and more in life, and not feel pushed to withdraw from it.

HOST AT RECEPTION.- Murray Ehrlick, president, District 22, B'nai B'rith, and well known communal leader who will host a cocktail reception on August 18th honoring Hank Greenberg who will be paid tribute at a dinner tendered by Toronto's Sportsmen Lodge, in conjunction with Toronto State of Israel Bonds, on September 17th. Ehrlick will serve as Master of Ceremonies at the dinner. Other leading participants: Ralph Back, Sportsmen Lodge president; Bobby Zweig and Sidney Greenwald, dinner cochairmen; Victor Gibion, Israel Bonds chairman.

Recipe for the week

Orange frappe

1 1/2 cups sugar
3/4 cup white corn syrup
1 3/4 cups water
6 tblsps. lemon juice
3 cups orange juice

Cook sugar, syrup and one cup water together until mixture threads. Remove from heat and add fruit juices and remaining water. Chill. Freeze in an electric or hand-turned freezer according to standard instructions.

Yield: 12 or more servings.

BIG DEAL
by Ruthie

Did you ever notice in a restaurant how some people scrutinize a menu till you think they're going to chew the whole thing up? I can sympathize with them; I'm one of them.

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Comes a time, no matter how much you enjoy your own cooking, you want to eat out. The thought of no oven to scrape, no dishes to wash -- heavenly!

Of course, your Better Half doesn't feel like that. He can't think of spending what he calls a fortune for anything inferior to what he gets at home.

So off we go.

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Okay. We're already in the restaurant of our choice. The water's on the table. The waitress hovers over us, waiting patiently while we go through the menu.

Up to that point, fine.

Then Ned becomes impatient. "Nu, already. We haven't all night."

"Take it easy," I retort. "How often do I eat out anyway?"

"Mooz zie altz vissen (she must know everything)?" pointing to the waitress.

That doesn't even require a response. I look up disdainfully and back to my "literature".

I'm thinking, and thinking fast as I go down the items.

A vegetable plate? Nah, I can make that home in two minutes flat.

A diet fruit salad? So for that I had to get all fahrpootzt (dressed up)?

Sole Meuniere? Can't look it straight in the face anymore.

A juicy, red salmon steak? It's nourishing and not fattening. But what's so different? I can get that home.

Meanwhile Ned's drumming away on the table. He's seething. The waitress still stands; she's used to it.

"Alright, Simmer down," I hiss.

I turn to the page where nothing on it has less than a thousand calories.

What the heck! Let me have something I don't eat home. What's the purpose otherwise?

Peach Melba? Banana fritter's? A gooey, gooey ice cream boat topped by thick fruit sauce over which is a huge fluff of whipped cream over which is a thick coat of nuts on which nestles a big, tempting cherry?

Then, the good, rich standbys: potato latkes with sour cream or fruit; cheese or fruit blintzes; a thick slice of cheesecake.

By this time my stomach's churning. But something keeps me back. Even the toasted bagel and lox has me uncertain.

Why am I such a jelly fish? Why can't I make up my mind and to blazes with it?

Habit, I suppose.

So I order what's conservative in calories. Ned looks up expectantly. "So?"

"A mushroom omelette."

"A mushroom omelette!" The cigarette falls out of his mouth. He repeats like a parrot, "A mushroom omelette!"

I look up triumphantly. "Don't you think I'm good? See how I could contain myself? Resistance, that's what a person needs. Resistance to temptation."

After the waitress has the order, "So for a lecture," from Ned, "I didn't take you out to dinner. And don't spoil my appetite."

"Of course not, sweetie." And I feel smug because the food won't go to my hips. I've jumped the first hurdle.

Honest, the problems we women have. You have to be a female to appreciate it.

Meantime I make a mental note to stop off for some bicarb on the way home. Ned may need some later.

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For women only

SECRET OF HOW TO KEEP FIT

by Audrey Goldberg

We all know many older women who look and feel very young and many younger women who look a great deal older. Why is this so? Why do we look older or younger? A lot of our looks depend on the skin. Unlike muscles the skin is not elastic and once it has been stretched it is very difficult to tighten up again.

If, for instance, our fondness for cheesecake leads us to store too much fat, the skin may stretch. When we lose this fat, the skin very often sags and sinks and sometimes stretch marks are left. There is very little we can do to put this skin back apart from taking a needle and thread -- and putting a tuck in it, but we can work the muscles in the appropriate areas to such an advantage, that in toning them up they help to tune up the skin covering them.

The main areas of sagging skin are the chin and neck, the inside upper arm, the tummy above the navel into the waist, and the inside of the thigh. Here are the exercises to help you look as young as you feel.

MAKE FACES

First, for the neck and chin. Depress the corners of your mouth, tightly, sideways and down. Do this ten times in front of a mirror and you will see the skin and muscles of the neck stand out.

ARMS UP

Now for the upper and inner arm. Stand firmly, feet apart, arms raised sideways to shoulder level with the palms of your hands facing down. Slowly turn the palms of your hands to face upwards and as far back as they will go. Relax and turn the palms down, then start again, and you will begin to feel the skin tightening at the top of your arms.

WAISTLINE

The next one is for the tummy and waist. Lie on the floor on your back, feet together and hands by your sides. Slowly lift your head and shoulders till your chin touches your chest. Relax back again slowly. Do this ten times again.

THIGHS

Last, for the skin and muscle of the inner thigh. Sit on the floor with legs outstretched, feet turned in and toes turned up. Lift your leg straight in the air keeping your foot and ankle turned in and up and your knee braced tightly. If the foot is not turned in you will not feel the pull on the inside of the thigh. Do this ten times with each leg.

Repeat these exercises at least twice a day.

Contest ruling on conversion

Jerusalem (JCNS).- No one born to a non-Jewish mother can become Jewish except by due process of Halachic law, according to Rabbi I.Y. Unterman, the Ashkenazi Chief Rabbi of Israel.

In a statement issued last week he took issue with the ruling of a Tel Aviv District Court judge that a minor was now a Jew by virtue of the fact that he had been circumsised and that his mother had declared that the purpose of the ceremony was conversion.

The Chief Rabbi stated that the Halacha laid down the procedure for such conversions. The circumcision must be performed in the presence of three witnesses designated by a rabbinical court, and there must be ritual immersion. The appropriate blessing must also be recited.

Rabbi Unterman also contested the decision of the judge, Mr. Yitzhak Shilo, that the civil court was entitled to issue declaratory judgments as to whether a person was a Jew.

The Chief Rabbi pointed out that under Israeli law, Jewishness was determined by the Halacha, which could be interpreted only by the rabbinical courts.

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BULLETINS

HARD LABOR FOR LIFE FOR EX-NAZIS

Duesseldorf (JCNS).- Two former Nazis have been sentenced to hard labor for life for the wartime murder of Jews.

In Bochum, Karl Oppermann, 61, formerly a chief sergeant in the SS, was convicted of murdering 47 Jewish men, women and children in the Tarnow Ghetto between 1940 and 1943.

Georg Oster, 58, a former member of the Nazi security service, was jailed by a Memmingen court for killing three Jews in Poland. He and Adolf Schuster, Kurt Dannenburg and Paul Lehmann, had been charged with responsibility for the murder of several thousand Jews.

Schuster received five years hard labor for complicity in murder. Dannenburg and and Lehmann were acquitted.

"ROCKET CAN HIT CAIRO"

Paris (JCNS).- Israel has succeeded in constructing, from her own resources, the French Md-660 missile, which can deliver more than 1,000 lbs. of high explosive on targets as far away as Cairo, Alexandria and Damascus, according to the Left-wing weekly, "Le Nouvel Observateur".

The missile was tested over a year ago in a joint program with specialists from the Dassault aircraft corporation, the newspaper claimed.

Completion of the guidance system and preparations for mass production were now taking place in Israel, the newspaper said.

KOLLECK TO STAND AGAIN FOR MAYOR

Jerusalem (JCNS).- Teddy Kollek, the incumbent Mayor of Jerusalem, will stand for the position again in the autumn whether the Israel Labor Party nominates him or not, he announced last week.

Mr. Kollek received the Mayor of Jericho, Mr. Saleh Abdu, who was making his first official visit to Jerusalem. Mr. Kollek agreed to help in reviving tourism to Jericho, in response to a plea from Mr. Abdu.

BIG FOUR DEBACLE

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Nasser accordingly had no option but to reject the American 5-point plan for a solution of the conflict that Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko presented to him. He cannot afford to stray from the path of the Khartoum resolutions of Arab heads of state -- no talks, no recognition, no peace -- and he cannot agree to the US-Soviet agreement on direct frontier negotiations prior to a withdrawal of troops.

Without necessarily wanting war he has to show both the Arabs and the great powers that the Israelis must pay the price for their victory. To this extent Nasser's aims tally with those of his friends in Moscow. There must not be war but controlled tension is in order. The question is: to what degree of tension can the Soviet Union continue to exercise its control function? It is certainly incapable of controlling the crisis by itself.

Admittedly the Kremlin is in a better position to bring pressure to bear in Egypt than the White House is to exert pressure on Israel. Moscow has re-equipped the Egyptian armed forces and has 3,000 military advisers attached to Nasser's troops.

Golda Meir, Israel's Foreign Minister, rejects the recommendations of Israel's friends as decidedly as Nasser has rejected Andrei Gromyko's proposals. In London recently she again came out against all attempts by the great powers to intervene. She was not prepared to budge an inch from her demand that peace between Israel and the Arabs be concluded solely between the warring parties.

On the diplomatic scene Mrs. Meir has only two prospects that justify this determination. As soon as the Americans and the Russians get down to details of a peace settlement they will probably disagree and France under President Pompidou may revert to a pro-Israel policy and lift the arms ban.

Meanwhile the danger is growing that the hot winter predicted by Nasser's associate, Muhammad Hassanein Heikal, may break out sooner than forecast -- in summer. The long march to peace in the Middle East is far longer than the short step of resorting to war.

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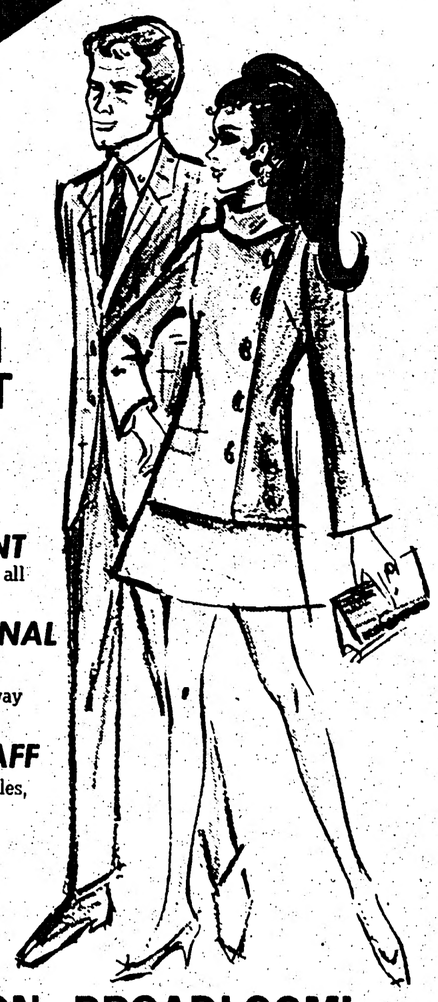

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